

respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9-21, 23-24, 26-27, and 29-36 on the grounds of res judicata.

**VII. CONCLUSION**

In light of the foregoing remarks, and in light of the Declarations of Dr. Schmitt, Dr. Pittman, Dr. Öberg, Dr. Nilsson, and Dr. Shepherd under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejection of claims 1-36, and to pass these claims to an early issue. Should the Examiner believe that another personal discussion would expedite this case, she is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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